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Right to Try Heads to Governor's Desk

SB 84 passes state Assembly with overwhelming bipartisan support

MADISON... Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed Senate Bill 84, commonly referred to as Right to Try, with overwhelming bipartisan support. Representative Patrick Snyder (Schofield), Assembly author of the proposal, released the following statement after the vote:

"Today's vote means we are one step closer to becoming a Right to Try state," said Snyder. "I am proud to see Wisconsin joining the 39 other states in giving patients with a life-threatening disease quicker access to potentially life-saving treatment options."

Right to Try gives patients with a life-threatening disease access to investigational drug or treatment options that are not yet available on pharmacy shelves. The drugs have passed the basic safety testing performed by the FDA, but are still undergoing the rigorous and time-consuming approval process.

"It's time we put these important decisions back in the hands of those who are the most impacted- patients and their loved ones. These individuals do not have the luxury of waiting for these drugs to make it to the market. I am happy to give anyone who is suffering from a terminal illness more options as they go through this difficult time in their life."

Colorado was the first state to pass a similar bill into law in 2014. The United States Congress is considering a similar bill at the federal level.

SB 84 passed both houses of the legislature and will now make its way to the Governor's desk.

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